

## RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

## JUL 18 2006

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.

10/693,025

Inventor(s)

Suzanne M. Torontali

Filed

October 24, 2003

Art Unit

1631

Examiner

Anna Skibinsky

Docket No.

9394L

Confirmation No.

1757

:

Customer No.

27752

Title

Amplification of Signal Using a

Bead-Based Oligonucleotide Assay

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

An extension of time is hereby requested under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the following fee and any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company:

[X] One month extension under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY

Ву

Signature James Derry

Typed or Printed Name

Registration No. 57,890

(513) 634-9315

Date: July 18, 2006 Customer No. 27752